



The Zero Waste Schools Program began in 2015 and now supports 43 schools throughout Marin County to reduce their landfill waste through recycling and composting efforts.

Are paper cups compostable?

The majority of paper cups are **not** compostable or recyclable.

- Nearly **all** paper cups have a plastic liner on the inside of the cup to prevent leaking.
- This plastic liner cannot be easily removed from the paper and means:
 - The cup cannot be recycled, and
 - The cup cannot be composted.
- Nearly 100% of regular paper cups must be put in the landfill.
- Remembering your reusable mug or thermos is best!



To support schools' efforts to reduce waste, ZWM provides **unlined, compostable paper cups.**

- ZWM supports schools by providing unlined, solely paper cups when budget and inventory allows.
- This cup belongs in the **compost bin.**
- Avoid the landfill waste in your daily life and bring your own cup or thermos!